

#### Assabet Valley Regional Vocational

#### **School District**

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Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary

Ms. Ruth Yodaiken Federal Communications Commission 455 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W. Washington, DC 29554

Dear Ruth:

The purpose of this letter is to appeal the decision that Assabet Valley Vocational High School's Form 471 has been rejected because it was submitted outside the filing window. The full responsibility of the lateness of this application is mine. I have had a change in my title and the e-rate process slipped between the cracks.

I am asking that you reconsider our application and e-rate funding for this school year. Assabet Valley Vocational High School is a public vocational school with a \$14 million budget that for seven years has been successful in obtaining e-rate funding. Without the funding, internet service and telecommunications charges for our students and staff would be greatly impacted.

In no way is Schools and Library at fault in this process. The full responsibility is mine.

Sincerely,

John R. Kustigian Assistant Superintendent

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PS: Detailed information of our organization is on the attached sheet.



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Applicant name: Assabet Valley Vocational High School

BEN: 848

Application number as assigned by SLD: 491686

Name of the letter and funding year: Funding Year 2005 Form 471

Exact text or decision that I am appealing:

Your Form 471 application was postmarked on 10/28/2005, which is AFTER the 2005-2006 filing window closed at 11:59 p.m. EST on Friday, February 18, 2005. Program rules require us to hold your application pending final review of those applications that were filed within the filing window. We will post an announcement on the SLD section of the USAC web site at <a href="https://www.sl.universalservice.org">www.sl.universalservice.org</a> once we determine if funding applications that



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were submitted within the application filing window will fully utilize all the funds available for this Funding Year.